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## **REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated August 19, 2002. Applicants request reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of the following amendments and remarks. Please note that the period for response has been extended until December 19, 2002 by the accompanying Petition and fee.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 41 as follows.

For the Examiner's convenience, all pending claims are listed below. Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW **CHANGES MADE.**"